

REMARKS

1. In response to the restriction requirement, the applicant elects Group 1, claims 1-26.

2. Claim 1 is amended to recite operations (R), (Au), (S). For example, the operation (R) may be performed by the recipient, the operation (Au) by the authorizer, and the operation (S) by the sender.

3. Claim 18 is amended to recite operations (R), (Rau), (Au), (S). For example, the operation (R) may be performed by the recipient, the operation (RAu) by the root authorizer, the operation (Au) by any authorizer, and the operation (S) by the sender.

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